

News Release

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Search suspended for missing Ohio man

WAILUA – The search for 58-year-old Vladimir Sukhoparov of Ohio in waters off Kaua'i's Eastside in Wailua was suspended Wednesday afternoon following a three-day, multi-agency search.

According to a preliminary report, Kaua'i Fire Department personnel responded to a report of a possible missing swimmer at Kaua'i Beach Drive on Sunday at approximately 3:10 p.m. Officials located the man's belongings close to shore on a beach fronting the Kaua'i Beach Resort.

Sukhoparov could not be located despite a three-day air-, land-, and sea-based search with a team of rescuers including Kaua'i firefighters, lifeguards, police and the U.S. Coast Guard.

Kaua'i Beach Resort and Spa and volunteers with Life's Bridges – a grief counseling service – assisted with Sukhoparov's family.

Anyone with information about the missing swimmer is urged to call KPD Dispatch at 241-1711.

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